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SUBJECT: MID-AMERICA TRADE MISSION

REF : STATE 176306 (NOTAL)

1. WINSTANLEY BRIGGS, VICE PRESIDENT OF THOMAS H. MINOR AND ASSOCIATES OF CHICAGO, VISITING MIDDLE EAST SEPTEMBER 5-28 TO WORK ON ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 26-NOVEMBER 7 MID-AMERICA COMMITTEE'S TRADE MISSION TO KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA, IRAN, AND EGYPT. (POSSIBILITY ABU DHABI ALSO MAY BE ADDED TO MISSION ITINERARY.)

2. BRIGGS' APPROXIMATE ITINERARY FOLLOWS: SEPTEMBER 5-10 BEIRUT; SEPTEMBER 10-16 KUWAIT (INCLUDING ONE DAY IN TEHRAN) SEPTEMBER 16-18 ABU DHABI; SEPTEMBER 18-23 JIDDA AND UNCLASSIFIED

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RIYADH; SEPTEMBER 23-28 CAIRO.

3. BRIGGS, WHO HAS CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE IN MIDDLE EAST, WILL COMMUNICATE WITH COMMERCIAL OFFICERS ON ARRIVAL (HAVING PROVIDED ADVANCE NOTICE WHERE POSSIBLE). APPRECIATE YOUR EXTENDING ALL APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IN HELPING HIM TO ARRANGE LOCAL BRIEFINGS AND MEETINGS FOR MISSION.

4. FYI MID-AMERICA MISSION SHAPING UP AS IMPRESSIVE GROUP , INCLUDING PARTICIPATION OF AT LEAST TWENTY TOP EXECUTIVES OF MAJOR MIDWEST BANKS, MANUFACTURING FIRMS, CONSTRUCTION AND OIL INDUSTRY SERVICE COMPANIES, ETC. LIST FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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